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James buget holds line on taxes and municipal spending

NEWARK—Mayor Sharpe James unveiled the administration's proposed 1995 municipal budget, which holds the line on spending and reflects no tax increase for property owners this year.

The \$485 million spending plan projects a tax rate of \$21.34 per \$100 of assessed valuation, the same as the 1994 figure. This means that the owner of the average one family house in Newark, assessed at approximately \$11,790 pays \$2,516 in taxes annually—the same average tax payment in Essex County.

James said the budget contains no increases in sewer and water rates, which had been reduced five percent in 1994 over the previous year. In the Mayor's July 1, 1994 reorganization plan, adopted by the City Council, a separate sewer utility was created similar to the self-sustaining water utility.

According to the Business Administrator Glenn Grant, removing this \$45.3 million sewer users' cost from the city budget places the burden of supporting sewer use and maintenance on all users. Non-profit entities and other tax exempt entities will pay for sewer and water usage.

Combining the two utilities accounts for the decrease in city spending from \$520 million in

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Take Our Daughters To Work on April 27

NEW YORK—From Singapor to the south side of Chicago, girls, parents, companies, mentors, and organizations are preparing for the third annual Take Our Daughters to Work Day on Thursday, April 27.

The day, sponsored by the Ms. Foundation for Women, was designed to bolster self-esteem in girls, foster resilience, and expose girls to all the opportunities available to them in the work world.

This day gives adults a chance to focus on girls and their development," said Marie C. Wilson, President of the Ms. Foundation for Women. "We continue to be thrilled with all that girls see, do and learn on Take Our Daughters to Work Day. We also welcome the exciting opportunities that have opened up our nation's sons."

The event provides a unique opportunity for girls to see the realities of the work place and to identify role models. Last year, 25 million American adults—one out of every six—participated; nine out of ten believed the day was a positive experience, according to a Roper Starch Worldwide poll.

The Girl Scout have created a patch for the day, and at Ortho-McNeil Pharmaceutical in Raritan, girls will get a demonstration from the robotics lab, a workshop on science awareness and play "What's my line?"—a game to guess a par-

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## BLACKS AMONG INJURED AND DEAD IN BOMBING

by Lecia D. Swain  
(Oklahoma) Ebony Tribune  
Edited by Sandra Wright

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK—A number of blacks were among those badly hit by the terrorist bomb blast which destroyed a federal government building in Oklahoma City, Ok, killing scores of people in the process.

Many blacks, both adults and children, were among the hundreds of casualties caused by the April 19, blast, believed to have been caused by a car bomb outside the downtown building.

Gwendolyn Greaves, an African American who worked in the Social Security Office, one of many agencies housed in the Alfred P. Murrah federal building, was one of several survivors of the 9 a.m. blast. She was treated for cuts and bruises in a downtown hospital after being aided out of the partly demolished building.

"Thanks to God, I'm out of there and okay," Greaves said from the hospital.

State Rep. Kevin Cox was one of various African-American leaders who rushed to the scene following the disaster.

Cox, a 15-year House veteran,

said he was driving near downtown when he heard the blast. He said he saw a rising cloud of black smoke and noticed that all the windows had been blown out of the YMCA (located one block east of the federal building), where his young son goes to daycare.

Cox said he later found his son safe inside the YMCA building, but noticed that several other children had been hurt by flying glass and debris.

Later, he made a tearful report to the state house, explaining that the tragedy had been caused by various people.

"Oklahoma City people came

together. I saw a white woman carrying a black child and a black woman carrying a white child," he said. "We're all in this together and it is showed."

City Councilwoman Willa Johnson, also described the scene of the blast as stated. "This is a great tragedy and the entire city is shocked. The city is really pulling together. All of the emergency workers, law enforcement, fire department, and everyday citizens are lending a hand. Many more citizens are home praying for the survivors and the families of those who were killed in this disaster."

"I applaud President Clinton

miles away from the site of the explosion and buildings up to 20 blocks away suffered broken windows and structural damage.

When caught, the perpetrators will face stiff punishment, officials have said.

New Jersey Senator Bill Bradley stated, "I am deeply saddened by the loss of life in the bombing, and I am outraged by this terrorist act. The fact that this can take place in America reminds us that we live in an open society that is open to many levels."

"I applaud President Clinton

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### Do minority college graduates have the edge on jobs?

Merit, not quotas, fuel affirmative action debate on campus

NEW YORK—As affirmative action goes under the microscope this month, the debate has traveled from the beltway to the campus. Critics are asking whether minority college graduates are given an "unfair" advantage from corporate recruiters. Results from a recent study indicate that if an advantage does exist for minority candidates, it is the result of hard work and preparation, not preferential treatment.

According to the study by Hanigan Consulting Group, a management consulting firm specializing in campus recruiting and strategic staffing for Fortune 500 companies, top-tier minority candidates on leading university campuses are getting more job offers than whites and are receiving higher starting salaries. But the data also reveals that minority graduates tend to be more prepared and more qualified for their key management track positions.

First, the Hanigan study illustrates that minorities begin their job search earlier than whites. Of all the minorities polled, nearly 24 percent began their job search in their freshman year, as opposed to only 6 percent whites.

"Because of discrimination hurdles, minority students believe they have to work harder for the same opportunities as whites," says Maury Hanigan, president of the Hanigan Consulting Group. "And sometimes that means attending job fairs as sophomores to get the lay of the land," said Hanigan.

In addition, minority students are participating in more corporate internship programs throughout college, a key selection criteria for employers. Nearly 77 percent of the minority students polled participated in internships throughout their college careers versus 68 percent of whites.

"Internships are the best résumé builder out there," says Hanigan. "And minority students are slightly ahead of the majority in using them as a gateway to coveted corporate jobs," she added.

Hanigan says minority students tend to be well prepared for the competitive job market this spring. "Minority students who have gotten themselves into good colleges are tired of hearing that they are under qualified—a classic line from corporate recruiters and one that often masks discrimination," says

Hanigan. "Today's minority students are doing everything they can to ensure they don't lose the credentials game."

For minorities, the hard work and valuable job experiences are paying off after graduation. The study shows that minority graduates recruited off campus received \$41,500 in starting salaries, as opposed to the \$34,150 for non-minority fit whites. And while minorities interview almost 28 percent less than whites, they receive 23 percent more job offers.

In focus groups conducted prior to the study, concerns for sexism, loss of identity, and holding minorities to a different standard were the three most frequently cited misgivings that minorities had with their potential employers.

Students believed that the only way to avoid being told they were not qualified for the position was to build up their strong résumés so employers would find it difficult to turn them down.

This desire on behalf of the minority community to have access to high-paying jobs helps explain another interesting statistic from the study.

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### Avis Yates to chair Brain Trust

NEWARK—Avis Y. Yates took the oath of office on Sunday, April 23 as she ascends to the chair of the NJ United Minority Business Brain Trust (NJUMBTT).

The event was held at the St. Joseph's Plaza, on West Market Street. Congressman Donald M. Payne (10th Dist.) administered the oath.

Yates' list of credentials include, president and owner of PC PROS, INC., a computer consulting firm in Hillside, officer of the Board of the Regional Business Council and chair of the Vendor Input Committee of the NY/NJ Minority Purchasing Council, featured in "Fortune 500 Magazine" ('93), 1992 WBE Distinguished Achievement Award; and most recently she was a delegate to the White House Conference on Small Business.

"It is very important to keep an organization like the NJ United Minority Business Brain Trust viable," says Yates. "We have accomplished a lot in our 13 years of existence. Our members, all small minority firms with more than eight years in business, look to the Brain Trust to provide collective opportunities to build the capital base for the economic development of our many communities throughout this state."

She added that minority businesses must get a fair share of the economic pie, and be afforded the opportunities provided others. "Our communities depend upon it."

The ceremony was witnessed by hundreds of business, professional and elected representatives including Senators Wynona Lipman, Bill Bradley and Frank Lautenberg.

As the new chair of the Braintrust, Yates will guide the

Avis Yates

organization in its efforts to impact on legislation that affects minority businesses, increase the utilization of minority businesses in both the private and public sectors; keep membership informed on issues that need resolution; and network.

According to Yates, The Brain Trust, through its many activities, "gives its members access to business doors that they might not be able to open on their own, and we are strong advocates of small and minority businesses in the state."

The organization meets regularly with mid-sized and large corporations, legislation, elected officials and other small business organizations throughout the year to discuss ways to do business" with each other.

Ronald W. Brown Consulting Group, was also sworn in as co-chair of the organization. Brown, who's been a member of The Brain Trust for several years, chairs the State Affairs Committee for the organization. He will work closely with Yates. The event was hosted by PSEG.

### Teare confirmed as EO corporation counsel



Larry Leverett

Leverett's "12-Step Framework for Reform" includes the:

- Re-thinking of district vision, mission, and beliefs to ensure the success of every child.

- Development of student learning and performance standards that clearly indicate what students should know and be able to do (upon graduation).

- Development of assessment and accountability systems to measure student progress and school/district effectiveness

- Improvement of communications strategies and systems to engage all internal and external stakeholders in the on-going work and mission of the public schools of Plainfield.

"I'm concerned about expectations in the schools. I think it's very easy to point the finger and blame the teachers for not caring enough. We have to go beyond pointing our finger and work collectively to find solutions. Pointing fingers will not result in change and that behavior needs to be discarded. We all need to accept our responsibilities to work collectively," says Leverett.

As the new superintendent offered his assessment of the roles of the home and the school; many debate over who is responsible for the new attitude some have that school is a place for socializing and profiling.

"We need to do a lot of work in our homes in promoting the value of education. We have to set standards in our homes and expect our children to meet those standards. I've seen too many situations, where by the age eleven parents have given up on their kids and the

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EAST ORANGE—Siobhan A. Teare was recently sworn in as East Orange's Corporation Counsel. Teare is currently head of the city's law department. During her swearing-in, she said she looks forward

to the challenges that lie ahead of her and cited her experience both in and outside of government.

"I bring a wealth of information

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# PEOPLE

## Luminous awards presented



Pictured from (l-r) chairperson Clair Davis; honorees Gabrielle Coleman & Paulette Brown; chapter president Dr. Inez Durham; honorees Sherryl Gordon, Lonna Hooks, Beverly Murdoch; co-chair Gayle Thigpen-Allen

**EAST BRUNSWICK**—The scholarship program and the myriad of philanthropic endeavors of the Raritan Valley Chapter of The Links, Inc. received a fine boost from its Jazz Brunch fund-raiser. On Sunday, April 16, the event saluted five African-American Women of Distinction with its Luminous Award for their outstanding professional achievements and their community service efforts.

The honorees included: Paulette

Brown, an East Orange based attorney; Gabrielle Coleman, also an attorney and president of The Prudential Foundation; Sherryl Gordon, New Jersey AFCSC director; Lonna Hooks, New Jersey Secretary of State; and Beverly Murdoch, a Scotch Plains dentist.

Kysa B. Miller, singer, composer

and recording artist and her trio provided the spirited entertainment for the near 500 guests at the East Brunswick Hilton.

The honorees included: Paulette

## EOF advisory board president receives fellowship

**NEW BRUNSWICK**—Jan Laing, the president of the Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF) Community Advisory Board at Rutgers' College of Engineering, has been awarded a fellowship by the Stanford Sloan Program.

The program is designed for middle managers who have been identified as having potential to be top executives. As a Sloan fellow, Laing will pursue a master's of science degree in management at Stanford University.

Laing, a resident of Eatontown, NJ, has headed the EOF Community Advisory Board and led summer fund-raising efforts for the past two years. A 1980 graduate of the College of Engineering, Laing has continued to play an important role in helping

students from underrepresented populations to pursue engineering both at undergraduate and graduate levels.



Jan Laing

## Youth Readiness Summit: Empowerment 2000



**NEWARK**—Newark Mayor Sharpe James (second from left), pro football and film great Jim Brown (second from right) and Prince Asiel Ben Israel, co-chairperson of Chicago's National Peace and Justice Summit (right) kicked off the "Youth Readiness Summit: EMPOWERMENT 2000," held recently at Newark's West Side High School. James, Brown and Ben Israel were also joined by Rudolph "Rockhead" Johnson, a former Los Angeles gang member who is now the executive coordinator of Brown's Ameri-Can Program, Inc. of Los Angeles. Thousands of students attended the assembly program. Afterward, the star-studded group held a similar program at Barringer High School. In addition, members of the city-wide "Newark Youth Commission" formed by the City of Newark late last year, took part in the Summit.

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## DID YOU KNOW?

by Robert M. Taylor

...that new research is confirming the view of ancient Chinese philosophers that properly balanced opposites may be one of the most important things in life. The latest story to hit the medical pages is a study which suggest that both too much and too little anger are bad for us while having proper or balanced anger is good. University of Michigan School of Public Health expert Mara Julius says the study shows "the way a person handles anger is the only variable that reliably predicts how often they get sick."

...that a new book involving over 50 years of research concludes that Africa was the birthplace of the human race and that all people are technically of African ancestry. According to the "History and Geography of Human Genes," even European whites are a hybrid with 65 percent Asian and 35 percent African genes.

...that organization expert Deniese Scheinfeld says the best ways to keep your home uncluttered include: (1) Set specific days and times for house cleaning; (2) Discard anything (except for important legal documents) which you have not used in the past six months; (3) Tackle one task at a time. Do not try to get too much at once.

...that the breast cancer rate among black women is increasing while that for white women is decreasing. The report from the National Cancer Institute found that breast cancer deaths among white women had fallen by 5.5 percent from 1989 to 1992 while the number of black women dying of breast cancer increased by 2.6 percent during the same period.

...that according to "Men's Health" magazine, two of the best ways to keep your brain functioning at its best are to learn a foreign language and run on a regular basis. Both activities appear to stimulate the brain into functioning at its best.

...that this week's favorite quote comes from venerable comedian George Burns speaking on the need for motivation. "You have got to have a reason to get out of bed."

...that if you want your marriage to last a long time, it may be a good idea to avoid living in an area where there are a lot of single people. A study released recently by State University of New York professor Scott J. South found that the more single people there are in a metropolitan area, the greater likelihood that a young couple will get separated or divorced.

...that despite all the studies purporting to show that men and women think and see things differently, the bottom line is that regardless of sex, race or ethnic background "human beings" are much more alike than they are different. That essential fact should never be forgotten. Indeed, most of the differences across group lines are either superficial or they are of no great significance.

...that those of you who believe in astrology are in for a shock. An astronomer at Britain's Royal Astronomical Society calculates that the Zodiac is up to one month off. According to Jacqueline Milton, because the Earth's relationship to the sun changes and because the Earth has shifted on its axis, the Zodiac actually has 13 months not 12. In addition, the constellations are not equal. Milton says, for example, the sun only spends one week in Scorpio and more than a month in Virgo, Taurus and Pisces.

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## Community Calendar

**PLAINFIELD**—Music lessons for senior citizens at French School of Music. For more info call 908-757-3087.

APRIL 13 THRU 27

**MONTCLAIR**—The Urban League of Essex County is offering a parenting education workshop on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Newark League's office in Montclair. Classes run from 6 to 8 p.m. For fees and other information call 201-596-6550.

**PLAINFIELD**—Registration is now open for children grades PreK thru 7 at Holy Family School. For more info call 908-755-0930.

APRIL 18 - 27

**PLAINFIELD**—Introductory level WordPerfect courses at Union County College in Plainfield and Elizabeth from 9 to 11 a.m. For more info call 908-709-7108 or 7600.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19

**PLAINFIELD**—Annual Parade signifying Week of the Young Child beginning at City Hall at 1 p.m. For more info call 908-755-7788.

NEW YORK—Dr. Mary Frances Bane, author of "Right Companions" will speak on Alternative Acting at Hunter College at 7 p.m. For more info call 212-727-4068.

THURSDAY, APRIL 27

**PLAINFIELD**—"African-American Theater: Heritage as Strength for the Twenty-First Century" at William Paterson College from 7 to 9 p.m. For more info call 201-595-3027.

GWARDOCK—Girl Scout Recognition Dinner Award at the Westwood from 6:30 to 9 p.m. For more info call 908-232-3236.

**MONTCLAIR**—"A College For Me?" mini-seminar at Montclair State University from 8 to 8:30 p.m. For more info call 201-655-4431.

MONTH OF APRIL

**TRENTON**—"Echoes Form the Past: The Narrative Artistry of Palmer C. Hayden" art exhibit at the NJ State Museum. For more info call 609-292-5555.

**TRENTON**—"New Jersey in Time of War" four part series will be held Saturdays at the New Jersey State Museum at 2 p.m. For more info call 609-929-7143.

FRIDAY, APRIL 28

**NEWARK**—NOI Minister Louis Farrakhan at Symphony Hall at 7:30 p.m. For more info call 201-624-2105.

**JERSEY CITY**—"The Men Who Sailed The Liberty Ships" at the Five County Library Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. For more info call 201-547-4505 or 6907 or 4543.

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## NATIONAL NEWS at a glance

### ■ Dr. King's widow loses control of historic papers

Coretta Scott King - the widow of slain civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. - last week lost a long-running legal battle with Boston University for control of a collection of her husband's personal and business papers. The university was able to convince the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court that King intended for the college to have the \$3,000 letters, documents and manuscripts. King had died in 1968 and Boston University had been the first to offer to house her papers. King had argued that the papers rightly belonged to her and should be housed at the Martin Luther King Center in Atlanta which is controlled by the King family. After the decision in the eight year legal battle, Mrs. King issued a one-line statement: "The decision is tragic, and we are looking into a possible appeal to the U. S. Supreme Court." -BOSTON, MASS.

### ■ Black teen tried again in murder of Hasidic Jew

Although he was found innocent in the murder of an Hasidic Jew in Brooklyn's Crown Heights section during a 1991 race riot, it was announced last week that 20-year-old Lemrick Nelson, Jr. will be tried again. This time on Federal civil rights charges. The judge ruled that he should be tried a second time and can face a maximum of five years in prison. Lemrick was accused of the stabbing death of 29-year-old Yankel Rosenbaum during a riot which followed the killing of an eight year-old black boy by a car driven by a Hasidic Jew. Nelson was 16 at the time of the alleged murder. -BROOKLYN, NY

### ■ Black wealth building seminar goes international

The Better Life Club of America - a Washington, D.C.-based black wealth building organization - has been conducting a series of day-long wealth building seminars in cities around the nation for approximately two years. But now group leaders have decided to take the wealth building programs international. The first foreign seminar will be held in Toronto on Saturday, May 20 in Toronto, Canada. Toronto has Canada's largest black population. The event is being co-sponsored by the Buffalo, New York chapter of the Better Life Club. Interested persons can contact Buffalo chapter president Ulo Obot at 716-834-6788 or the national office at 800-748-1821. The seminar will teach people how to save and invest their money to build personal, family and community wealth. -TORONTO, CANADA

### ■ Republicans appear to doom Foster nomination

Although President Clinton says he remains absolutely committed to him, mounting opposition to Dr. Henry Foster from conservative Republicans appears to be mounting. He is seen to be the nation's next Surgeon General. Conservatives say they are opposed to Foster because of his support for a woman's right to have an abortion. But Foster, who is black, has suggested that there may be racial motives. Last week Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole - who is running for the Republican presidential nomination - indicated that he was supporting the nomination of Foster. Previously Dole had supported bringing the nomination up for a vote as he has come under attack from more conservative Republicans and appears ready to take the highly unusual and undemocratic step of not allowing a vote on the nomination in order to appear right wing opposition to Foster. -WASHINGTON, DC

### ■ Financial group launches African investment fund

The Calvert Group last week announced the start of the Calvert New Mica Fund. The fund will for the first time offer investment opportunities in stocks throughout Africa - not just South Africa. One of the principal managers of the fund will be Mexico's Siam, a unit of the Siam Financial Group which is one of Mexico's largest pension fund managers. The fund will invest up to \$3 billion in assets under its management. Despite a wide range of economic problems throughout Africa, Siam suggested that there is plenty of wealth potential on the continent: "Africa is one place on this globe where everyone will smile when we show up." Siam's firm is based in Durham, North Carolina. More information about the new fund can be received by calling 1-800-388-7474. -DURHAM, NC

### ■ Miss Black World Beauty Pageant highlights talent

The Miss Black World Beauty & Modeling Pageant has chosen Washington, D. C. as the location for its 1995 international beauty and talent competition. Pageant organizers are currently accepting qualifications for the October 13 competition which is expected to feature young ladies from 30 cities and at least 20 foreign countries. The top prize includes a \$10,000 cash award. Interested young ladies can receive information and registration materials for preliminary pageants in their areas by writing Miss Black World, P.O. Box 65001, Washington, D.C. 20005. -WASHINGTON, DC

### ■ Black girls satisfied with their bodies

One of the major complaints of feminist organizations is that male-dominated society tends to force women to place undue importance on their looks and their bodies. The result - argue the feminists - is that too many women end up unhappy with their bodies. But according to a national attitude survey, black teenage girls are generally satisfied with their bodies. According to the *Newsweek* magazine survey, 90 percent of white teens said they were unhappy with their weight while only 30 percent of black teens said they were unhappy. This was the case even though black teens on average weigh more than white teens. White teen girls described the perfect body as 5-foot-7 and 100 to 110 pounds. Meanwhile, black teen girls were more likely to describe beauty as "the right attitude." -NEW YORK, NY

### ■ Republicans take away radio, TV tax breaks for minorities

Republicans and conservatives in Congress last week continued their assault on affirmative action programs by approving a bill which repealed a tax incentive program designed to insure that minorities have more access to our television and radio airwaves. The law had allowed white-owned firms to receive substantial tax breaks for reaching their stations to women and minorities at reduced prices. The Republicans charged the law was unfair to white males. Upon repeat of the law, the giant Viacom Inc. immediately dropped a deal which would have resulted in the sale of several radio stations to a minority controlled group. -WASHINGTON, DC

### ■ Evidence destroyed in rapper's murder case

Police authorities reported last week that they had accidentally destroyed evidence in the murder case against popular rap star Snoop Doggy Dogg (Calvin Broadus). But the district attorney said the lost evidence would not help his case. Broadus is accused of killing a man during a 1993 drive-by shooting which left one man dead. The trial begins last week. Broadus and two other men have pleaded not guilty. -LOS ANGELES, CA

### ■ Federal prosecutors say no racism in penalties for drug crimes

Attorney General Janet Reno and federal prosecutors are urging Congress to reject proposed changes in federal sentencing guidelines that would treat defendants charged with crack cocaine offenses differently. Under current sentencing guidelines, a dealer caught selling 50 grams of crack faces a mandatory minimum sentence of 10 years in prison. A first-time offender must sell 100 times more powder cocaine to get the same sentence as a person selling crack cocaine. Critics of the punishment policy, such as the American Civil Liberties Union, say the harsh sentences are racially motivated. In a report, the U.S. Sentencing Commission found that 89 percent of crack defendants are black, while powder cocaine defendants are about 30 percent black. Whites and Latinos make up 32 percent and 39 percent, respectively, of defendants in powder cocaine cases. -WASHINGTON, DC

### ■ U.S. expenditures higher for punishment than education

The portion of tax dollars that goes to support federal prisoners is growing faster than any other federal expenditure, including education, the environment, defense, transportation and social security, says Families Against Mandatory Minimums (FAMM). FAMM says that in 1990 the number of people sent to state and federal prisons for drug offenses exceeded the number sent to prison for violent crimes. The number of offenders sent to prison during the past 10 years and now account for more than 62 percent of the federal prison population. FAMM says federal taxpayers spend \$20,804 per year to incarcerate one inmate and \$5,421 to educate one child. FAMM is located at 1001 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20004, (202) 457-5790. -WASHINGTON, DC

# NATION

## In defense of Angela Davis



by Dr.  
Manning  
Marable

More than a quarter of a century ago, African-American scholar-activist Angela Davis first came to public attention. The young philosophy professor was dismissed from her faculty position at the University of California-Los Angeles in 1969 for her support of the revolutionary group, the Black Panthers.

The "ground" for her dismissal had nothing to do with her scholarship or teaching effectiveness, both of which were outstanding. Davis' membership in the Communist Party, and her public commitment to black liberation, were the basis for purging her from higher education.

Less than one year later, FBI agents charged her with involvement in a shoot-out in a California courtroom which led to several deaths, including one judge and a member of the Black Panthers, 17-year-old Jonathan Jackson, the younger brother of the revolutionary George Jackson.

Davis was named one of the country's "Ten Most Wanted Criminals." Once captured and imprisoned, she was constantly harassed and victimized. But a massive international campaign erupted in her defense. Throughout the world, the name of Angela Davis came to symbolize the racism nature of the U.S. criminal justice system, and the naked political suppression of radicals within American society.

In June, 1972, after nearly two years imprisonment, a California jury declared her innocent of all charges. Since that time, Davis has

continued to combine a commitment to political activism and scholarship. Since leaving the Communist Party several years ago, she has become a leading member of the Committees of Correspondence, Democratic and socialist organizations involved in progressive political activism.

However, the larger issue at stake transcends the personal example of professor Davis. Throughout the U.S., the Far Right has consistently targeted black intellectuals and prominent progressive scholars representing the African-American community.

For example, immediately following the election of President Clinton, noted anthropologist Joaquina Cole, president of Spellman College, came under vicious attack for her progressive affiliations and personal support of Cuba. She was not considered for an appointment

as Secretary of Education.

Last year, University of Pennsylvania law professor Lani Guinier - was condemned by the Far Right. The state-filled suit against Guinier forced Clinton to withdraw her nomination as Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights. Weeks ago, The New Republic launched an unprincipled attack against Harvard University professor Cornel West, in a special issue depicting "the decline of the black intellectual."

Mass de-legitimation recognizes all potential and real voices of progressive opposition, within the academy and throughout society. The Far Right seeks to wage ideological war on scholars advocating the principle of human equality.

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## EDITORIAL

**America is a great country!**

The bombing in Oklahoma City will bring to light the heart of America. This bombing will cause more Americans to see how political ideologies have distorted the facts, presented misinformation and used race baiting as the tool to win elections.

So-called liberals have been "tarred and feathered" and driven underground vehemently trying to hide any identity as individuals with liberal thinking. Thus emerges the conservative right wing... champion of the people... wavers of the flag... "get big government off our backs" as their slogan. According to the speeches of this group, they represent "real" America. Like the pied piper, Americans, not knowing where they are being lead, have lined up behind these bastions of the band of conservatives. The Republican Party has gone so far as to make the conservative right their bed fellows and band leaders. And like a great orchestra, these conservative right wing groups have come up with a melody for America. With most of us as we sleep, these conservative right wing extremists have played a tune of hate the poor and disfavored.

The have created a national marching band with a similar message to polarize America and far too many Americans are allowing themselves to be a part of the parade. These groups are single-handedly responsible for the new hate mood that is gaining momentum in the country. While these conservatives keep all eyes on the poor, the welfare system and affirmative action, they are building a political, economic, and physical arsenal and killing machine to destroy America.

The Oklahoma bombing has given us an example of what we are dealing with. The bombing is America's wake up call.

Are these angry white men who believe they can do whatever they want and it is acceptable and justifiable? Is there a growing underground... a modern day KKK poised to take control of the government through election and terrorism? It is up to all Americans to stand up for America and change the song of this parade because this is the greatest country in the world.

## OPINION



by Connie Woodruff

The 1995 primary election in Swanton hung into a kick-off brunch for Assemblyman Jackie Mattison and his running mate, Assemblywoman Willie Brown running for reelection in the 29th District.

Scores of local politicians and citizen supporters jammed Rhubarb's, a downtown New Haven supper club for the event that was a harbinger of things to come for the Democratic Party in the 29th District.

Mattison, Brown and Senator Wyndra Lipman have been endorsed by the party and will be running on Line A ballot positions that virtually assure them a victory in the June primary.

Also scheduled to run on Line A is Rep. Tom McNally as the party endorsed candidate over Patricia McCarty Drake, the incumbent county clerk.

This is where some of the controversy and split in Democratic solidarity begins. County chairman

**AS I SEE IT...**

Tom Giblin favors McNally while several incumbent legislators, including Mattison and Brown would like to see Drake reelected for another term.

So the supporters who turned out to enjoy the politicking, eating and socializing by their Assembly representative were also waiting to see who would turn up to make a bid for local support.

The one guy who loomed big on the scene was chairman Giblin, no stranger to most folks in the room. His remarks were sincere, if not compassionate in urging the faithful to plan an intensive get-out-the-vote initiative in the primary election.

For whatever reason, McNally failed to show up but Pat Drake was there and from her fiery speech, it was clear she had a mind and all abilities to make her rise in politics from an entry-level job in the county clerk's office to her present position.

Drake is heading an opposition ticket that includes incumbent 28th Dist. Assemblyman Harry

McEnrow (who the party did not endorse for re-election) and former Irvington Mayor Mike Steele.

Giblin and company have endorsed McNally to replace Drake and two newcomers to elected offices for the assembly: Wardred Collier, a former New Haven Public Advocate and Craig Stanley, a nephew of Rep. Donald Payne.

To the surprise of many, Mike Steele is getting enthusiastic welcomes wherever he appears these days. It is difficult to tell whether or not it's his personal appeal to voters or whether they are expressing opposition to Mayor Sam Bost who has endorsed Pat McNally, a President of the Irvington Town Council.

The most senior member of the Newark Board of Education, the seemingly amiable Charlie Bell was expected to win another term on the board and he did.

His running mate in the recent board elections was Jeffery Dyes, a perennial candidate who finally made it by riding on Charlie's strong coattails. Ditto James Young whose candidacy had the early marks of an independent but ended by Bell's behind-the-scenes support.

The three winners were among a slate of candidates opposed to a state takeover of Newark schools, but will go through swearing in ceremonies and other board responsibilities for however long, or short the tenure.

Politics notwithstanding, Newarkers, secular and lay people throughout the country came to the city to pay last respects to Elder Terry Patrick, the 55-year-old Founder and Pastor of Good News Tabernacle on South 10th Street.

Years before his ordination into the ministry Terry Patrick embraced the concept of economic self-sufficiency. For the last years of his life he was a volunteer palliative for the homeless and substance abuser seeking rehabilitation services.

A graduate of Charleston Street Elementary and South Side High schools in the Central Ward of Newark; for many years Patrick was a familiar figure as a young man on a Christian mission, a business man and proponent of preaching the gospel through music.

He joined the Old Tabernacle Church of God in Christ when he was eight years old under the pastoral care of Rev. Charles Banks, his first Christian mentor.

In the early years of Abyssinian Baptist Church he served the Rev. R.P. Means, later joining his life-long friend, Rev. Charles Banks at Greater Harvest Baptist Church; and finally transferring his membership to the Revival Temple Center of Deliverance when it was founded by Bishop Jeff Banks.

He was personally and profes-

sionally faithful to the church and Bishop Banks until he answered the call of the Lord to organize and pastor the Good News Tabernacle Holiness Church in August, 1977.

Infused with faith, hope and a vision of God's Word, Terry Patrick, a leader of the church, pastor, and seven members held the church's first service at 11 Blum Street on a cold November Sunday in 1977.

Two years later the congregation moved to a bigger edifice on South 10th Street, where parishioners and neighbors found a readily accessible Christian home and much needed community outreach program that has been an intricate part of its growth and prosperity.

Clergy and dignitaries who spoke at his funeral remembered the popular evangelist as a business man, a community person, pastor, minister and musician.

The rites were a true celebration of Elder Patrick's life by those who recalled him as the young kid who made the old "Milk Bar" in Newark a favorite teenage hangout where cokes, hamburgers and hot dogs were the passions of the day.

Others remembered the Elder's youthful passion for fashion and the spectacular fashion shows he produced throughout the state as one of the early minority invaders in the fashion industry. Terry later in his dogged determination to make the Good News Tabernacle into a church-based industry that has made gospel an international musical event.

One of his oldest friends, Rev. Dr. Robert C. Jiggetts, Jr. presided over the three-hour program that included remarks by Rev. Lawrence Roberts; Elder Joseph DeLoach, Jr.; Minister Donnie Harper; Mrs. Florence Chambers; Ms. Alma Beauty; Hon. Donald Bradley, president Newark City Council; Mr. Alvin Givens; Mr. and Mrs. Zeta Bishop; Alia Crone, Bronx, N.Y.; Evangelist Eddie Elton; Tom Rozier, Jr.; Pastor Albert Jamison of the Gospel Music Workshop; Minister James Martin of Freehold, NJ; and soloists Sis. Shonda Harley; Minister Martin; Sis. Leticia Neal; and the Good News Tabernacle Choir. The Bishop Jeff Banks, pastor, Revival Temple Holiness Church delivered the eulogy.

All of his life there was a bittersweetness about Elder Terry Patrick that made him stand out in a crowd who were in the pulpit of lifting his voice in song.

He had a love for people he inherited from a close knit family headed by his mother, Ladies Patrick, who survives him along with a sister, Ruth James and four brothers, Robert E., John, William and Alvin, a sister-in-law Barbara, several aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews and a host of friends representing a wide cross-section of life and living in Newark.

**OOPS, there it is: Whitman's racism out of the closet**

by Julian K. Robinson

Lest any of us begin to delude ourselves that an enhanced social

and political status has been achieved by African Americans in New Jersey during the past several years, recent tasteless and thoughtless public comments by Rutgers University President Francis Lawrence and Governor Christie Whitman should quickly disabuse us of that cruel fantasy.

Despite Lawrence's convoluted denials, a statement in one of his '94 speeches would seem to indicate that he considers African Americans intellectually inferior and Whitman, during a recent news interview, passed on to the media a degrading and totally unfounded rumor about the morals of young African Americans.

While I am in conversation with Lawrence, I am also in touch with minorities, political commentator, that grumbling has persisted and intensified as Whitman and her associates have seemed quite content with merely three major African-American appointments...Lonna Hooks, Herbert Tate and Supreme Court Justice James Coleman...and seem not concerned in the least that her administration includes the lowest number of major black and Hispanic appointments when compared with the administrations of predecessors Tom Kean and Jim Florio.

And as if to underline her administration's ineptitude in relating to minorities, Hispanics were omitted last December from Whitman's list of a dozen different ethnic, racial and religious groups to whom her "many faces-one family" diversity initiative was

directed. As Governor-elect, she had to

spend most of the next month damping the fires ignited by her campaign manager's demeaning assertions about the state's black clergy.

Hard on the heels of her inauguration, there was muted grumbling in some segments of the African-American community when the Governor appointed a white Republican politician with no Port Authority experience as chairperson of that important agency.

In doing so, Whitman by-passed a black, Republican lawmaker with a decade of experience as a Port Authority commissioner. That grumbling has persisted and intensified as Whitman and her associates have seemed quite content with merely three major African-American appointments...Lonna Hooks, Herbert Tate and Supreme Court Justice James Coleman...and seem not concerned in the least that her administration includes the lowest number of major black and Hispanic appointments when compared with the administrations of predecessors Tom Kean and Jim Florio.

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**The President's increasing 'relevance'**

by Askaia Muhammad

I hope I'm not being simply sentimental when I think that Bill Clinton's

proclamation on the "relevance" of his presidency at his recent prime-time press conference, is not the Forrest Gump-equivalent of Richard Nixon's "a not a crook" statement. Despite my one-term president, I've seen him make enough last-minute comebacks, to know better than to count him out...yet.

My liberal friends all underestimate the degree of White racial hostility that exists in the American society. The liberals dismiss my analysis that racial hostility and scapegoating of blacks by the larger society has produced a spirit of willingness—an eagerness even—to suffer cuts to programs that benefit Whites more than blacks, because they think blacks so undeserving of the benefits they receive, they'd just as soon cut off their own (social program) noses, just to spite their (too-much-taxes) faces.

Liberals are so sentimental. They dismiss my talk as racially divisive, only to be treated just as rudely by conservatives, who accuse me of class warfare—dividing the society into competing groups along ethnic and social lines.

Members of the news media, and Washington political insiders, on the other hand, are so cynical that they refuse to give the President an even break, even when he does a good job on something.

Sitting toward the center of the White House East Room at the President's press conference, I got to see and hear an admirable performance by a well informed man on a wide range of complex issues. And while one colleague was quick to declare that Mr. Clinton had come of age (scholarly) on every command of the issues, she was (as were the newspaper headline writers the next day) quick to find fault with him.

I hope I'm not being coy and sentimental if I think that the President made a good point that was overlooked by most analysis, when he stated (and repeated), "If we were not for the interest we have to pay on the debt run up between 1981 and 1992, our government's budget would be in balance today..."

What the President didn't go on to say is that, the Reagan-Bush transfer of wealth from the neediest to the greediest through tax-cut for the rich, and bloated executive spending bankrupted the country.

I hope I'm not sounding liberal and sentimental when I agree that his analysis of "moral and family values" was on target when he said: "Family values mean to me that people make common sacrifices to stay together, to work together, to put primary on the family unit and the rearing of children and to put their children first." I think that is an excellent definition, and that it should be taught among the underclass. It is the absence of any abiding commitment to improving the lot of many children that leaves so many African Americans stuck for generations in the oppressive welfare cycle.

And I hope I have not been betrayed by my own proximity, into placing too much emphasis on the President's economic analysis of White male anger...over affirmative action. Although he did not compare these days of backlash to the post-Civil War period when White racists (content for centuries when the labor of Black slaves was stolen for no compensation)

tion) rose up against Blacks entering the labor market to compete for wages. He did say to angry White men, "Your problem is that you're not willing to pay for the rich, and bloated executive spending bankrupted the country."

But those rational analyses are not the hot-button items that grab the most attention. Hot button items, are the fight over the troubled nomination of Dr. Henry Foster to the ceremonial position of U.S. Ambassador to Mexico, and Mr. Clinton's statement (in the face of the Republican Congress seeming to set the Washington agenda and steal the headlines) that his job is still important.

It sounds like the President heard the joke being told about him in Washington, and found a way to make it come true. Cynics proclaim that Mr. Clinton's advisors told him that in order to do a good job and be re-elected he must be more decisive. "I am decisive," the President replied, "aren't I?"

## CITY NEWS

Michael Lauten

St. Bernard's Parish

# YOUTH BEAT

## KIDS CALENDAR

### ATTENTION:

PLAINFIELD—Day Camp for youth with developmental disabilities. For more info contact The Arc of Union County at 908-754-2509.

MORRISVILLE—Summer Camps with art at Morristown-Beard School from June to August for grades 5 thru 12. For a brochure or more info call 201-539-3032.

CRANFORD—Eight Summer Sports Camp for youth 6 - 15 sponsored by Union County College and Union County Div. of Parks and Rec. Call 908-709-7162.

### MONTGOMERY APRIL

METUCHEN—"Free to be... You and Me" will be performed at 1 p.m. Call 908-548-0582.

JERSEY CITY—Computer Workshops for youth 6 - 9 will be offered at Jersey City State College. For more info call 201-200-3088.

NEW YORK—Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus will appear at the Meadowlands Arena. For ticket call 201-507-8900 or 212-307-7177.

### NOW THRU MAY 20

NEWARK—"Camp Watershed," overnight camping program on Saturdays and Sundays. For more info call 201-733-6454.

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26

PLAINFIELD—After school classes at 3:30 p.m. for ages 5 and up at Plainfield Public Library. For more info call 908-757-1111.

### THURSDAY, APRIL 27

PLAINFIELD—Circus film program at 3:30 p.m. at Plainfield Public Library. Call 908-757-1111.

### APRIL 27 - 29

SUMMIT—Walk-in registration for spring and summer courses at the NJ Center for Visual Arts. Hours vary. Call 908-273-1121.

### FRIDAY, APRIL 28

JERSEY CITY—Computer Workshops for youth 10 - 12 will be offered at Jersey City State College. Call 201-200-3089.

PLAINFIELD—Walk-in registration for ages 5 and under at 11 a.m. at the Plainfield Public Library. Call 908-757-1111.

### SATURDAY, APRIL 29

NEWARK—The WBGQ-FM/Jazz 88 Children's Concert series concludes with workshop and concert at noon and 1:30 p.m. in WBGQ's performing studio. The main attraction will be singer Cissy Houston. Call 201-624-6880.

## Elementary school tops monthly fundraiser

PLAINFIELD—Students at Evergreen Elementary School in Plainfield, raised \$1,420.16 for the Easter Seal Society of New Jersey (ESSNJ) Basketball Shoot-Out and made their school the top fund-raiser in Union County during the month of March.

The students obtained pledges for the fund-raiser based on the

number of baskets they could make in a three-minute period. This is the second year Evergreen students have participated in the Basketball Shoot-Out. Thousands of students across New Jersey participate annually in ESSNJ Kids for Kids Special Events. This year, nearly 70 schools are participating in the Basketball Shoot-Out.

All proceeds from the fund-raiser benefit ESSNJ, the state's foremost provider of services to people with disabilities. Each day, ESSNJ provides nearly 3,000 New Jersey residents with supportive and specialized services in counseling, education, employment, housing, recreation and transportation. From each dollar received by the Society, 94 cents is allocated to provide direct client services.

## Newark Youth Commission closes gap between city and youth



Members of the newly-activated Newark Youth Commission, established by Mayor Sharpe James and the Newark Municipal Council look over their notes before the start of a recent meeting. The young leaders discussed a number of issues affecting gateway city youth. Pictured from left: Maria Ogando, Beringer High School; Tamika Battle, East Side High School; Dennis Rosario, Science High School; Noelle LuSane, Science High School; Maliki Raymond, Malcolm X. Shabazz High School; Anthony Benjamin, Central High School; and Wilei Fanfan, West Side High School.

## Students named to talent roster

CRANFORD—Ten Union County College students and recent graduates have been named to the 1995 Talent Roster of Outstanding Minority Transfer Students from two-year Colleges.

Criteria for selection includes having a 3.0 or higher grade point average of 2.75 out of a possible 4.0, showing of strong academic achievement, and demonstration of a desire to pursue a bachelor's degree. Selected students must be African American, Hispanic, Native American, Asian American or Pacific Islander origin.

The students are Ann Cole, a

nursing student of Piscataway; Roland Feble, a business major of Newark; Jorge Gonzalez, a theater/drama major of Elizabeth; Tracey Jenkins, a nursing major of Union; Edgar Long, a 1994 business major graduate of Elizabeth; Michaela McNamee, a Liberal Arts major graduate of Elizabeth; Cynthia Mejias, an accounting major of Newark; Zorina Moor, a Liberal Arts major of Plainfield; Oraochukwu Onyemelukwe, a Physical Therapy major of Piscataway and Dante Tolentino, an engineering major of Elizabeth.

## Who was Dr. Charles Drew?

Dr. Charles Richard Drew was born in 1904, in Washington, DC. He was the eldest of five children born to Charles and Nora Drew. Charles R. Drew loved sports and was a tough competitor. He could have become a professional athlete or coach, but his desire to become a doctor prevailed. In 1928, Dr. Drew entered McGill University Medical School, in Montreal, Canada, and won membership in its Medical Honorary Society. It was at McGill that he became interested in blood research. He received his Master of Surgery and Doctor of Medicine degrees in 1933.

In World War II, England

suffered heavy casualties and called Dr. Drew to initiate its military blood bank program. There he introduced preserved blood plasma on the battlefield. This system worked so well that the British asked him to organize the world's first mass blood bank project. Dr. Drew also became the first Director of the American Red Cross Blood Bank (ARCCB), in DC.

In 1941, Dr. Drew resigned

from his position with the ARCCB after the Department of Defense requested that blood taken from white donors should not be mixed with that of black donors. This issue caused widespread controversy.

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## Newark and East Orange students win in Coca Cola art contest



Pictured above are three African-American students who were selected as finalists in the Coca-Cola USA 1995 "Paint The Town Red" art competition for high school students. (l-r) Franotie A. Washington, director of Art Education, Newark Board of Education; Finalist Vasheen Balkcom-Orange High; Altarice Scovil-West Side High; Lakisha Pitts-Arts High; and Tom Brown, director of African-American market Coca-Cola Bottling Company of New York. Judges selected artworks based on creativity and a clear depiction of the theme "Living in Harmony." Artwork of finalists will be included in the Paint The Town Red Art Tour.

## Help fight MS and win a scholarship

OAKLYN—High school students can win one to ten college scholarships and while helping to raise money to fight Multiple Sclerosis (MS). Entitled Project: Learn MS '95, sponsored by the Multiple Sclerosis Association of America, the program is a national essay competition with over \$16,000 in scholarship funds available to any sophomore, junior, or senior high school student.

The project was designed to encourage education about MS and highlight a nation-wide "May is MS Awareness Month" campaign.

Participants are required to write a 300 to 500 word essay on MS and its effects on the family of the student. For every writing sport, students raise money to provide services to MS patients across the country.

Separate prizes will be awarded for the various levels of fund-raising. Essays will be judged on content, style and grammar. Entry deadline is May 22. Additional information is available from high school guidance offices or by calling the MS Association at 1-800-833-4672.

## Ford offers auto technology scholarship

CLIFTON—Fete

Ford/Imports has announced a new scholarship competition throughout Bergen, Essex and Passaic Counties to award \$1,000 to a high school or vocational school senior seeking a career in automotive technology.

The funding, which may be used for tuition, tools or transportation costs, is intended to assist qualified students to enter an approved automotive technology program.

Qualified students must be nominated by their schools.

Applications and information

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## Religious Calendar

### FRIDAY, APRIL 28

PLAINFIELD—Anglican Church Sale. With elephant home baked goods, plants, etc. United Presbyterian Church, 525 E. Front St. from 11:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. For more info call 908-755-3881.

### SATURDAY, APRIL 29

RAHWAY—Soul Brothers Production Second annual Gospel show at the Union Arts Center at 8 p.m. For more info call 908-499-0441 or 201-922-4655.

### FRIDAY, MAY 5

PLAINFIELD—Morning worship service at the United Presbyterian Church of Plainfield at noon. For more info call 908-755-0249.

### SATURDAY, MAY 6

NEWARK—Gospel Extravaganza and dinner, featuring the St. Rocco School Children of God Choir at St. Rocco School at 5 p.m. For more info call 201-643-4688.

### SATURDAY, MAY 27

EAST ORANGE—"March for Jesus" event. For more info or to be part of the March for Jesus Choir call 201-643-4688.

## Health Calendar

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26

WAYNE—Living Wills Advocacy Directives and Healthy Care Choices lecture at William Paterson College. For info call 201-595-2436.

ELIZABETH—Cancer screenings for women over 40 at Planned Parenthood from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more info call 908-351-5364.

### APRIL 26 THRU MAY 12

PLAINFIELD—Sex Education and survival seminar on "Aging Issues for Those Who Care" at Muhlenberg Hospital on Wednesdays and Fridays from 7 to 8 p.m. For more info call 908-666-2328.

### SATURDAY, APRIL 29

JERSEY CITY—"Infection Control and Barrier Precautions" course for health care professionals at Jersey City Medical College from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. For info call 201-200-1557.

ROSELLE PARK—Second Annual Self-Advocacy Conference from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Roselle Park High School. For info call 908-546-2770.

### MONDAY, MAY 1

WESTFIELD—Support group for people caring for the elderly or chronically ill relatives in the parish center of St. Helen's Church at 8 p.m. For info call 908-533-6757.

# Newark fights substance abuse with help of Clergy

**NEWARK**—The role of the Church in Newark's battle against substance abuse was explored recently by the Newark Fighting Back Partnership, (NFBP) the city's local anti-drug and abuse agency and ministers from many of Newark's churches.

The interfaith initiative held at the Robert Treat Hotel featured programs of ministries in Chicago and Milwaukee which have met with excellent success.

Also in attendance at the forum was Reverend Edward Smart, of Newark's Israel Memorial AME Church, and co-chairperson of NFBP's board of directors.

Commenting on the importance of the forum, Rev. Smart said, "while the nature of Newark's neighborhoods has changed significantly over the years, one institution has remained constant. That institution is the Church. We have been an anchor, giving continuity and stabil-

ity to the neighborhood, and as such we must play a much more aggressive role in combating substance abuse. The danger that it poses to the physical, economic and spiritual well-being of the neighborhood gives us no other choice."

Rev. George Clements who is presently working with the Washington, DC-based American Alliance for Rights and Responsibilities was the pastor of a Chicago church for 22 years, and founder of the One Church—One Addict program.

One Church—One Addict addresses the drug abuse issue in its dedication to mobilizing the religious community to extend a helping hand to recovering substance abusers. The program, developed by the Federal government, requires the governor's approval and coordination with state drug addiction programs in any state interested in participating.

Clements described the pro-

gram as one which assists parishioners in forming committees within each church, mosque or synagogue and training members to provide referrals to treatment centers, work with the family, provide role models, to advise families against enabling addicts to continue to use drugs, and to train addicts to practice relapse evaluation.

Coordinator of the interfaith program for NFBP the Reverend Dean Peter Sabine of the Trinity Cathedral stated, "we examined the many programs with which churches are involved throughout the country and invited Rev. George Clements, a Roman Catholic priest originally from Chicago; and Rev. James Walker of Milwaukee, author of excellent publications of their programs. As a result of learning about their programs, we plan to recruit clergy members here and begin similar initiatives."

The second program explored

was the FAITH CORP, started by the Milwaukee County Fighting Back Initiative. Its founder, Rev. James G. White, serves as the organization's media and policy analyst, working to forge national and local efforts to link the religious community to alcohol and drug abuse prevention and relapse prevention.

White designed the FAITH CORP for the Congregational Outreach Resource Partnership, which establishes a religious community alcohol and substance abuse training and resource capacity to provide education, training and local research empowering congregations to mobilize, advocate for

and coordinate congregational-based prevention efforts.

Thom McCloud, executive director of NFBP, believes that mobilizing the churches in Newark can give the city a hand to the fight to reduce substance abuse.

"There are over 100 churches and mosques in the Central Ward alone, which means that they have the potential to reach thousands of people. By joining and coordinating efforts, the resources of these churches can be used much more effectively. We came away hearing wonderful success stories and I believe this will give us further motivation to pursue similar efforts," said McCloud.

NFBP was formed in 1992 as an alcohol and drug abuse prevention agency responsible for building the capacity of neighborhood residents and institutions to create a social environment which is capable of resisting the use and sale of illegal substances.

## McDonald's launches eleventh annual Gospelfest

**NEW YORK**—McDonald's corporation is gearing up for its eleventh annual McDonald's Gospelfest '95. This year's theme, "Our community song—Can you feel it?", is an invitation to the more than 200 gospel groups expected to take part in six preliminary events and the final audition leading up to

the gala event.

Participating groups have the chance to win cash prizes of \$3,000 for first place, \$2,500 for second place and \$2,000 for third place. Finalists will receive an invitation to perform at the gala event June 17 at Avery Fisher Hall Lincoln Center. Preliminary auditions begin on

## Folk Festival highlights Puerto Rican culture

**NEW BRUNSWICK**—The culture of Puerto Rico will be celebrated at the 21st annual New Jersey Folk Festival to be held Saturday, April 29, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Rutgers' Douglass College campus.

The event, which is the oldest continuously run folk festival in the state, will offer music, dance, ethnic foods, workshops, crafts and activities.

## Whitman proclaims April "March of Dimes Walk Month"

**PINE BROOK**—March of Dimes' "commitment to improve maternal and child health care to reduce the incidence of birth defects, low birthweight and infant mortality," the 25th anniversary of March of Dimes Walk America. For Healthy Babies Month."

more than 56 years of partnering with corporate America, health professionals and volunteers," Governor Christine Todd Whitman said, proclaiming April 1995 as March of Dimes Walk America. For Healthy Babies Month."

Ities. It will be held on the grounds of the Eagleton Institute of George Street and Clifton Avenue. Admission is free.

Featuring Jersey performances include the band El Combo Latino from Elizabeth, the New Brunswick High School Hispanic Culture Club dance troupe, under the direction of Louis Hernandez; "cuatro" maker John Soto mayor of East Brunswick,

and traditional Clara Rivera.

The festival will also feature such attractions as Puerto Rican John Jackson, storyteller Bill Rooney and New Jersey Pine Barrens musicians Merce Ridgway Jr. and the Pitchhawkers. For more information about the event call 908-932-9174.

**Sunday, May 6 and will continue at area churches on Saturday, throughout the month. Groups advancing from the preliminaries will move on to a final audition to be held on Saturday, June 3. Finalists will perform as part of an exciting gospel celebration featuring several of today's leading gospel artists.**

## Habitat for Humanity holds Newark 'blitz build'

**NEWARK**—A "Blitz Build" (the construction of a Habitat house or houses with a large number of participants within a short period of time) sponsored by Habitat for Humanity Newark and the Episcopal Community Development arm of the Diocese of Newark will be held on April 28 through 30.

Over 250 members of 29 Episcopal Churches from the Diocese of Newark including the Bishop of the Diocese of Newark, the Rev. John S. Spalding and his wife, as well as the families who will eventually move into the homes will be involved in the build.

The build will take place at the corner of 15th Avenue and South Streets in Newark from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. each day. For additional information please call the Habitat at 201-624-3330.

The group will be setting the foundations for two new duplexes in Newark's Central Ward (future home for four families) and will also be helping to complete work on several other units. Each participant has committed to work one full eight-hour day and to raise a minimum of \$155 in sponsorship contributions. The three-day event is expected to raise over \$35,000 for Habitat for Humanity Newark.

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## East Orange YMCA kicks off fundraising campaign

**EAST ORANGE**—The East Orange Turrell YMCA has recently kicked off its 1995 Annual Scholarship Campaign. Now in its 18th year, the YMCA expects to meet its goal target of \$25,000, according to director Michael Keller.

"Our commitment to providing opportunities for youth, families and the disadvantaged utilizing the resources of the community is stronger today than ever before. A gift to YMCA helps us build strong kids, strong families and strong communities."

For additional information call the North Jersey Chapter at 201-882-0700.

During 1994, the East Orange YMCA provided over \$75,000 in financial assistance to 150 youth and families in need. YMCA school and after school child care, summer camp and teen leadership programs such as Minority Achievers and Young Leaders.

Contributions are tax deductible and may be designated to specific programs that the Y offers. Donations should be sent to East Orange YMCA 100 North Arlington Avenue, East Orange New Jersey, 07017.

## OOPS, there it is

(Continued from page 4) addressed. And in fact, Hispanic groups in early April filed civil rights complaints charging the Whitman administration with systemic discrimination in state hiring practices.

The unhappiness of those groups was not matched by that of African-American employees of several state autonomous agencies. They watched in anger and dismay in February as Whitman fulfilled a frivolous campaign promise to radio talk show

host Howard Stern while continuing to ignore her campaign pledge "to level the playing field" for minorities at their respective agencies.

In a related example of the Governor's insensitivity, the year-old nomination of African-American attorney Pamela Miller as member of the New Jersey Higher Authority was withdrawn from the Senate Judiciary Committee by Whitman without the courtesy of any notification whatever to the nominee.

Ms. Miller learned of the withdrawal by reading a newspaper artic-

icle on the nomination of another candidate in her place.

Pervading the attitudes of many African Americans toward Governor Whitman, moreover, is the strong suspicion that a number of her budget-cutting measures of the past year reflect the same kind of racism and indifference toward minorities and minority issues as that of Whitman's Republican colleagues in Washington. They seem to share the resolve of the NAACP's Walter Fields in the eagerly looking forward to the opportunity of working to defeat her bid for reelection in 1997.

Racism, in my view, falls basically into three categories—over, covert and unconscious. And the latter has always seemed to me harder to detect. If, as I suspect, this is indeed Governor's kind, the publication of her remarkable theories about young black males has certainly brought it out of the closet.

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# ARTZ WEDNESDAY

## BILLBOARD

### MONT - APRIL

NEW YORK—"A Language of Their Own" play, at The Public Theater. For more info call 212-260-2400.

### THRU APRIL 28

PRINCETON—Acrylic on Canvas art exhibit at the Brodsky Gallery in Chancery Conference Center from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. For more info call 609-921-7070.

### THRU JULY 9

NEW YORK—Photographs by Nader, the Frenchman, companion of the mid-19th century Paris will be on display at The Metropolitan Museum of Art. For more info call 212-570-3951.

### THRU JUNE

CLINTON—Comedy, "No Hard Feelings" will be performed at the Hunterdon Hills Playhouse. For more info call 1-800-HHP-7313.

### NOW THRU APRIL 29

MONTCLAIR—"Gypsy" performed at Montclair State University. For more info call 201-655-5112.

### THRU MAY 21

NEW YORK—"Blues Train," a musical play, Friday at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday at 2, 5:30 p.m. and Sunday (3 p.m.) at the Black Theater. For more info call 212-222-3800.

### THRU JUNE 17

NEW YORK—"Aladdin Grove," comedy, at the Workhouse Theater at 10:30 p.m. For more info call 212-368-7936.

### THURSDAY, APRIL 26

NEW YORK—Jazz artist Donald Byrd at SOB's at 9 and 11 p.m. For more info call 212-595-3567.

### APRIL 26, 28

BROOKLYN—"Off The Wall" art exhibit exploring color differences at 615 20th Street. For more info call 718-361-5000.

### THURSDAY, APRIL 27

NEW YORK—"Jazz at Lincoln Center" at 7 and 9 p.m. For more info call 212-721-5000.

### APRIL 27 - 29

MADISON—Spring musical at Fairleigh Dickinson University "Working" at 8:30 p.m. For more info call 201-593-8646.

NEW YORK—Soprano, Julia Kiernan will sing against John Keene, will perform at 8:30 p.m. Call 212-247-7800.

### TUESDAY, APRIL 29

MAHWAH—"The Marriage of Bette and Boo," comedy, at Ramapo College at 9:15 p.m. For more info call 201-529-7368.

### APRIL 28 THRU MAY 20

PISCATAWAY—"Lettice & Lovage," a play, will be performed Friday and Saturdays at the Circle Playhouse. Call 908-965-7555.

### APRIL 28, 29

NEW YORK—Johnny Allen at Man's Car Wash at 9:15 p.m. For more info call 212-369-9423.

MONTCLAIR—"Eldorado," a play, at the TWCA-North Essex at 8 p.m. Call 201-746-7181.

### SUNDAY, APRIL 30

NEWARK—The Symphony Orchestra performs music chosen by audience members at Symphony Hall at 3 p.m. For more info call 201-624-8203.

NEW YORK—"Olooom," Afro-Brazilian Group performs at the Irving Plaza at 9 p.m. For more info call 212-777-6000.

### BEGINNING APRIL 29

NEWARK—International Film Festival at the Newark Public Library on four Saturdays. For more info call 201-733-7798.

### SUNDAY, APRIL 30

HASBROUCK HEIGHTS—Delta 4th Annual Jazz Brunch at the Sheraton from 12:30 to 4 p.m. For more info call Ursula Daniels 201-427-5786.

## Songstress Dena Allen comes to Watchung

WATCHUNG—Songstress Dena Allen will appear at the Institute of Art on Saturday evening, April 29, at 8 p.m. This concert is part of the Dina Series, showcasing the finest vocal talent in every branch of music. Tickets are only \$10, and light intermission refreshments are included in the price.

Dena has won talent competitions four times at the world famous Apollo Theater, and was chosen their "Entertainer of the Year" in 1992. This led to appearances on NBC's popular hit, "Showtime at the Apollo." She's done a lot of solo work, and has also appeared with Stevie Wonder, Gerald Alston,

Harold Melvin and the Blue Notes, and the Delphonic.

Given the intimacy of the room, reservations are strongly advised. They may be made by phone, calling (908) 753-0190 and leaving a message if the phone is unanswered. Tickets will be held at the door. The Watchung Arts Center is located on the Watchung Circle. It is a short drive from Route 22 (Plainfield Avenue) to Interstate 78 (exit 40). Parking is free adjacent to the building or at nearby municipal lots.

Dena Allen



## The Whispers make a toast to a group of special ladies



NEW YORK—During a recent visit to New York, Capitol Records and the Whispers invited the ladies from a local battered women's shelter to a luncheon at New York's Jamaican restaurant Vernon's Jerk Paradise.

At the luncheon, the women sang with the group and listened to their new album "Toast To The Ladies." After the luncheon, the Whispers presented the ladies with red roses and a special gift bag including the album and other surprise goodies.

According to Director of Family Services said "the ladies were truly impressed by the group and the shelter that they displayed towards the women."

She further stated "the unselfish time the Whispers extended to these survivors of domestic violence will be cherished by them forever." The Whispers are currently on tour.

## Chrysler sponsors 'Having Our Say' a play about the lives of the Delaney sisters

HIGHLAND PARK, MICH.—Chrysler Corporation is the official sponsor of the Broadway play "Having Our Say," adapted from the bestseller "Having Our Say: The Delany Sisters' First 100 Years," by African-American sisters Sarah Sadie and Elizabeth "Bessie" "Having Our Say" is a narrative of the sisters' lives, lessons and recollections of

over 100 years of American history. The play opened April 6 at the Booth Theatre in New York.

"Listening to the Delany sisters takes us all back to the fundamental teachings of our childhood—the importance of education, integrity, respect for elders and caring for one another. These lessons are all the more valuable

today as we struggle to rediscover the American ideal," said A. C. (Bud) Lishier, Chrysler's vice president—Marketing and Communications. "This is truly wisdom for the ages, and Chrysler is proud to help spread the lessons these two amazing women impart and to further the education of the next generation of all Americans."

## WBGO-FM wins national headliner award

NEWARK—WBGO-FM has been selected to receive the 1995 National Headliner Award for Outstanding Feature or Human Interest Story, All Markets, for its feature "Train Man."

Produced by Becca Pulliam and reported by news director Steve Inskape, "Train Man" features Danny Simmons, the voice of New York's Penn Station, who retired at the end of 1994 after several decades of calling departures. The National Headliner Award, sponsored by The Press Club of Atlantic City, will be

given which was used as a dump for radioactive waste. "Extra Help," also produced and reported by Inskape, showcased a test program in progress designed to help teenagers in Newark do their homework.

"We're extremely pleased to share these prestigious awards with everyone at the station as well as with all of our listeners and supporters," said Inskape. "We've been working diligently to elevate the quality of radio journalism, and these awards are a testament to our success," he added.

The station also received three awards from The Associated Press of New Jersey: "Radio Legend" and "Train Man." WBGO also received first place honors for Best Use of Audio for "Extra Help."

Produced and reported by WBGO News Director, Steve Inskape, "Legacy" is the story of three suburban New Jersey towns that discovered those houses in the areas were built on

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NOW THRU APRIL 28

NEW YORK—Successful Business to Business Product Management seminar at the AMA Headquarters, 135 W. 50th St. For more info call 1-800-262-9699.

APRIL 26 - 29

MEMPHIS, TENN.—Twenty-first annual National Conference of Black Mayors Convention. For more info call 1-800-PEABODY.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28

NEWARK—Joint Chamber of Commerce and Newark Housing Authority meeting from 5 to 7:30 p.m. For more info call 908-352-0900.

THURSDAY, APRIL 27

NEWARK—Regional Business Partnership's "International Business Over Business: Doing Business in China and Hong Kong—The Bankers Perspective" from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Newark Club, 22nd fl. For more info call Eric Viscio at 201-242-6237, Ext. 223.

BRIDGEWATER—Third Annual Outstanding Achievements in Affordable Housing Awards Breakfast at the Palmer Manor from 8 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. For more info call 908-358-8979.

FRIDAY, APRIL 28

CARONFORD—Managerial Techniques' seminar from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at "The Coachman" For more info call 908-756-3836.

APRIL 29

PARSIPPANY—Spring Into Business Expo '95 at The Parsippany Hilton from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

APRIL 28, 29

WASHINGTON, D.C.—American Bar Association Diversity Conference, "The Power of Diversity: Leveraging the Challenge of Change," For more info call 312-998-5000.

APRIL 29 - 30

NEW YORK—Building the Sustainable Economy Conference at the NY Vista Hotel. Call 212-266-7171.

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BOSTON—American Management Association's "Fundamentals of Marketing: Your action plan for success" seminar at the Sheraton Boston Hotel. For more info or to register call 1-800-262-6969.

TUESDAY, MAY 2

NEWARK—Small Business Administration Export Working Capital Program from 9:15 a.m. to noon at The Newark Club. For more info call Eric Viscio at 201-242-6237 Ext. 223.

# BUSINESS

## White men still may apply

By Earl Ofari Hutchinson, Ph.D.

President Clinton is the latest to sing the white male blues. His promise to eliminate federal affirmative action measures that are unfair is a blatant and cynical political sop to Gingrich conservatives. Even worse, former Congressional Black Caucus chair Kweisi Mfume and California House Assembly Speaker Willie Brown also buckled in face of the angry white male barrage. They agreed that Clinton's action is "appropriate." It isn't.

Affirmative action has fast moved up the number one spot on the nation's political hit list.

Many believe that if a minority person is not nominated, the government will force a private firm to hire that person before a white male.

This is a myth. President Lyndon Johnson signed Executive Order 11246 in 1965. This is still the only federally-mandated program that legally refers to "affirmative action." The goal is to promote racial equity in employment. Contractors and subcontractors who have 50 or more employees and do more than \$50,000 in business with the federal government are required to submit a plan to hire that person to insure that their employees reflect the "diversity" in the workforce. The procedures are straight-

forward:

\* Submit a utilization study of their employees.

If the number of women and minorities are underrepresented, develop a plan and submit it to the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs.

\* The plan must include goals and time-tables to hire "qualified" employees from an "availability pool" of "qualified" applicants. Hiring must be based on a "meritocratic" system.

\* The employer must make a "good faith" effort to hire qualified available women and minority applicants.

For those to popular opinion contractors are not forced to submit the plan to the federal government. There is no army of federal monitors who ride roughshod over contractors to make sure they comply with their own plan. No contractors are forced to replace qualified (or even unqualified white males) with unqualified women or minority candidates. Contractors have not been forced to hire a mix of quota or minority or women in their company.

If contractors don't comply with their own plan, what's the punishment? An estimated 250,000 contractors did business with the federal government in 1991. The small force of compliance officers

made 5,379 compliance reviews of companies. At that rate (and the rate has decreased annually since the early 1980's) it would take more than 46 years to review all the contractors. Three-fourths of those reviewed quickly complied or modified their own plan.

In prior years a few didn't cooperate. During the administration of President Jimmy Carter 12 companies were debarred from doing government business. The number of companies debarred has not come close since then. Four were debarred from doing business during the Reagan years, and three were debarred during the Bush years. They weren't out in the cold for long. Since 1972, thirty-two companies have been debarred for an average of eight months.

White contractors continue to gripe incessantly about government "set aside" programs. This is much ado about little. Congress mandated that 18 government agencies are obligated to award only five percent of their contract funds to "socially and economically disadvantaged" individuals. This does not mean blacks and Hispanics, Native Americans, Asian Pacific Americans and even whites.

The biggest source of white male rage, however, has been court-imposed "quotas." They are rare and have been imposed almost

exclusively on a handful of police and fire departments nationwide. The paradise decision in 1987 was the only Supreme Court decision that explicitly upheld court imposed "quotas."

It was widely attacked by conservatives and sparingly read. It required that quotas be tailored to specific jobs in specific agencies. They must be flexible and temporary. There was no one word in the decision that said that whites could not be hired. The court made it clear that hiring had to be "fair" to white applicants and that they could and should be hired if there were no qualified minorities.

White women, not blacks or Latinos, have been the main beneficiaries of these "quotas." Angry white males rail that the "quotas" and compliance reviews amount to "reverse discrimination." But there is no conclusive evidence that the gains that women and minorities have made in the workplace can be attributed to "affirmative action." Their numbers would have increased anyway. This is due to better education, more job training, and employment skills, the massive expansion of professional managerial and technical jobs, and the increase in job opportunities in the public sector.

While many corporations issue press releases, brochures,

assorted hand-outs and annual stockholder reports that boast of their commitment to diversity, a Korn Ferry international survey in 1991 found that less than one percent of the top corporate executives were black. Yet sixty-nine percent of whites in a 1990 National Opinion Research Center poll still believed that a corporation would hire or promote a "less qualified-black" before a white.

During the 1990-1991 recessionary period, corporations moved no blacks or minorities out the door. The share of jobs blacks held at major corporations dropped for the first time in nine years. Overall, blacks still make up only 5.2 percent of the total corporate managerial positions.

Neither Clinton nor the conservative assailants of affirmative action ask, "Is the racism that continues to pervade the American workplace fair?" The answer is one they don't want to hear.

**Dr. Earl Ofari Hutchinson** is the author of *The Assassination of the Black Male Image*. News Feature, a monthly syndicated column, is received by one hundred newspapers and radio stations nationally.

### Minority vendors sought for upcoming trade mission

WASHINGTON—Minority

Business Development Agency and the National Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce will sponsor a Minority Business Matchmaker Trade Mission and Trade Show. The show will feature export counseling, market and finance briefings, meetings with pre-screened business contacts, logistical support—including translators—and export market analyses June 8-13 in The Dominican Republic and Jamaica.

The purpose of the trade show is to introduce minority firms to expanding export opportunities

which have already generated license agreements, joint ventures and over \$56 million in projected sales for participants in five previous minority trade missions to South Africa, Canada and Mexico.

The delegation is open to the least 50 qualified companies, dead-line for signing up is April 25.

To register fax your name, company address, telephone and fax numbers, and product/service to Molly Costa, matchmaker program manager, at 201-482-0178, or call 202-482-0692.

### James budget

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which is projected \$485 million this year. Grant said.

The City's 1995 Management & Financial Plan, which was also submitted contains slight reductions in the property tax rate in the municipal and county appropriations, an increase in the budget for local school purposes, kept the tax rate at the 1994 level, Grant noted.

In a statement to the City Council, James said the 1995 budget "fully funds services to city residents and businesses, without reducing their delivery level or our commitment to our workforce." This, he maintained, was accomplished despite "continued reductions in state aid."

According to the Mayor, Newark anticipates the same amount of revitalization aid in this year's budget and an additional

loss in other state aid for 1995.

Cuts in the state's Municipal Revitalization Program Aid to Newark, from almost \$16 million the previous year to \$6 million in 1994, prompted an angry outcry from the Mayor, who criticized state officials for "rewarding municipalities who do not properly manage their fiscal affairs with more state aid, while penalizing cities like Newark, which are well-managed and exercise strong budgetary oversight."

James insists, "public safety remains a top goal in the 1995 budget...with the operating budget for police and fire projected at \$114 million—51 percent of Newark's departmental operating costs."

In his memorandum to the City Council, the Mayor noted that the largest police class in Newark's

history—180 recruits—entered the police academy in February, and offered to support "a nominal increase in the tax rate to provide additional police resources," if the City Council agrees that this must be done "to ensure the quality of life of our citizens and businesses."

"We must balance the dedication of additional resources with the maintenance of affordable property taxes for Newarkers, and continue our commitment to sound fiscal stability of our city," James maintained.

The City Council will now review the budget proposal with municipal department heads, budget officials and their own analysts before officially introducing the plan and scheduling public hearings on the document.

### Teare confirmed

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tion and experience to the position. I understand the unique partnership of government and the private sec-

tor," Teare said.

Prior to her appointment, she also served as corporation counsel

### Our daughters

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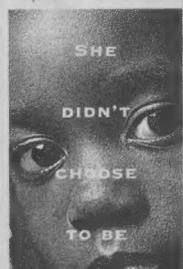
The New Jersey branch of National Organization of Women has announced an essay contest for girls aged nine to fifteen. Essays

should be focused around the essay question "What would happen if one day everyone treated girls like boys and boys like girls? Ten winners will spend the day at the governor's mansion.

for Plainfield and as assistant corporation counsel with Newark.

For Plainfield, she served as chief legal advisor to the mayor and municipal council in addition to the city's administrative departments, boards and commissions. As legal counsel to the Newark Police Department she served as the liaison between the department and the Essex County Prosecutor's office, the Newark and United States Attorney General's offices.

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**Request for Proposals**—The Housing Authority and Urban Redevelopment Agency of the City of Asbury Park, New Jersey ("the Authority") is requesting proposals from qualified individuals or firms to conduct a search for an Executive Director.

Proposals will be evaluated according to the following weightings:

1. Professional and technical experience in low-income housing authority operations. (10 points)
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4. Approach to the assignment and proposed methodology for implementation. (15 points)
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Proposals must be made in accordance with the proposal format available from the PHA. Interested parties can obtain a proposal format by calling 908-774-2660.

Proposals should be received in an original and seven copies, not later than 3:00 P.M. May 16, 1995 at the following address:

**Housing Authority and Urban Redevelopment Agency of the City of Asbury Park**  
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**Fidelity Bonds and Professional Insurance** to be effective on June 1, 1995 and July 1, 1996.

All bids will be submitted in writing in these formats and must be in conformity with the specifications and instructions available from the Authority. Bid specifications and the bid forms may be obtained from the Authority, 1000 1/2 Third Avenue, Asbury Park, New Jersey 07712 or by calling 908-774-2660.

Bids must be received in an original and seven copies, not later than 3:00 P.M. May 16, 1995 at which time they will be opened and read.

04/25/95 **ACTING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

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Proposed forms of contract documents, including plans and specifications, may be obtained at the office of the Housing Authority of Plainfield.

Copies of the documents may be obtained by depositing \$2.00 with the Housing Authority of Plainfield for each set of plans and specifications so obtained. Such deposit will not be refundable.

A certified check or bank draft, payable to the HOUSING AUTHORITY OF PLAINFIELD, U.S. Government Bonds, or a cashier's check, payable to the Housing Authority, or a cashier's check in an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the bid price, but not in excess of \$20,000.00.

The following forms supplied with the specifications shall be submitted with each bid:

1. Proposal Form
2. Bid Bond
3. Statement of Stockholders or Partners
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04/25/95 **ACTING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

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New Jersey law requires that the Executive Director of a housing authority shall have attained a degree from an accredited four year college or university in a public administration, social science, or other appropriate program and shall have at least five (5) years experience in public administration, public finance, retail or similar program administration, a master's degree in an appropriate program or equivalent for two (2) years of that experience. Non-housing authority Executive Directors and Assistant Executive Directors holding such positions in the State of New Jersey at the time New Jersey's P.L.1992, Chapter 79 became effective, possessing the required work experience and holding certification as a Public Housing Manager (PHM) from the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Administrators, and a member of the nationally recognized professional association in the housing and redevelopment field, are not required to meet the aforesaid educational requirement, except as otherwise provided in section 45 of P.L.1992, c.79 (c:40-A:12A-45).

Salary negotiable depending upon qualifications and candidate shall state the minimum starting annual salary acceptable. Candidates should submit cover letter of interest, salary history, 8 copies of résumé and references no later than June 5, 1995, to: Donald McGlynn, Chairman, 502 4th Ave., Asbury Park, NJ 07712.

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